



# TOWN OF KITTY HAWK

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## Manager's Newsletter

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## Spring Chipping Service Will Take Place April 14, 2014



The spring chipping service for residential property owners will be April 14, 2014. Please have vegetative debris in the right-of-way prior to the day of pick-up. Once the chipper has gone through your area, it **will not** return. Size limitations: no larger than 4 inches in diameter and 6 feet long. **No stumps, lumber, leaves, or yard clippings.**

## Large Item Pick-Up Scheduled for April 15, 2014

The Dare County Sanitation Department will be conducting a large household pick-up for residential customers in Kitty Hawk on April 15, 2014. No commercial business debris will be picked up.

If large item pick-up falls on your regular garbage collection day, please do not block the garbage container. Materials must be at curbside no later than 6:00 a.m. on the date of collection. There will not be a second day pick-up.

On this special pick-up, the County **will** collect the following recyclable items: used auto tires, used motor oil (only in spill proof containers), auto radiators, scrap metals (rims, motor parts), appliances, furniture, and mattresses and box springs. Please remove doors from refrigerators.



The following items **will not** be collected: old clothes, shoes, cardboard, etc., stumps, leaves, any yard-clearing debris, construction/demolition materials such as lumber, toilets, windows, doors, etc., any hazardous materials (oil based paint, pesticides, etc.) Water based paint can be picked up but must be dried out. All normal household garbage must be disposed of in your black trash can.

## Kitty Hawk Bath House is Now Open for the Season



## Tentative Schedule for Municipal Service Districts Presented

At the March 3rd Meeting, Town Council meeting, staff presented a tentative schedule for approval of Municipal Service Districts. The proposed schedule is as follows:

**August 8, 2014** – The Town would Develop the Draft Information that would need be mailed to property owners

**August 18, 2014** – The Town Council would complete its review of the draft Mailing Materials



**September 2, 2014** – A Final, up-to-date mailing list is compiled

**September 5, 2014** – Public hearing notifications would be sent to property owners, posted on the Town's website and included in the Manager's Newsletter.

**September 25** – Advertisement for the public hearing would run in the Coastland Times.

**October 6, 2014** – Public hearing would be held at regular Town Council meeting and boundaries for Municipal Service Districts would be established.

**July 1, 2015** – Adopted boundaries of MSD's would go into effect.

## Proposed Agenda Items for Town Council Meeting, April 7, 2014

### Two Public Hearings:

1. **Text Amendment:** Application to amend Subsection 42-250(d)(6) by creating an exemption from the 35 foot maximum height requirement for roof access structures in the Beach Commercial (BC-1) zoning district.
2. **Text Amendment:** Application to amend the Kitty Hawk Town Code by adding Subsection 42-250(c)(34) allowing "vehicle rentals" as a conditionally permitted use in the Beach Commercial (BC-1) zoning district, subject to certain conditions.

### Planning:

**Site Plan Review: Hurricane Mo's Deck Addition, 120 E. Kitty Hawk Road**

### New Business:

**Award of Bid for Poseidon and Goosander Area Streets Emergency Pumping Facility** – It is recommended to award the bid to Hatchell Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$68,926.

**Planning Board** – Due to a resignation an alternate member needs to be appointed as a regular member.

**Amendment to the Town Code: Chapter 10, Emergency Management** – Updating of Sections 10-19 through 10-26 is suggested so as to comply with State Statutes.

**Petition to Reduce Speed Limit on Lillian Street** – The current speed limit on Lillian Street is 35 miles per hour and the petition is requesting it be lowered to 25 mph.

**Capital Improvement Plan Fiscal Years 2015 to 2019 Approval**

### Reports or General Comments from Town Manager

Update on Beach Nourishment Storm Damage Reduction Project

## March 3, 2014 Town Council Meeting Update

In addition to the presentation of the Municipal Service District Implementation schedule, Town Council held two public hearings. The first was to discuss an application to amend Article V, Division 2 by eliminating statements regarding a list of commercial recreational uses in the Sound Waters Extraterritorial Jurisdiction zoning district. This amendment was recommended by planning staff as a result of Council's recent approval of guidelines relating to the construction of private piers extending into the sound. After no public comment was given, Town Council approved the changes.

The second public hearing was an application to update section 42-72, 42-73 and 42-99 of the Town code with standards for the Board of Adjustment, constructive notice for appeals and decision-making process for conditional use permits. Town Council had adopted changes at its October Regular meeting to conform with new State Law; however, subsequent information provided during a workshop by David Owens with the UNC School of Government noted that additional changes need to be made to the Town's standards for conditional use permits and several other standards amended to bring the Town code into full compliance with the new law.

Town Council also approved this application after no one came forward to speak from the public.

In addition, Council approved a site plan for the construction of a law office at 106 Ascension Drive. The proposed building would be 3250 square feet and contain up to ten employees.

Two Public hearings were scheduled for Council's next regular meeting on April 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss an application to add Subsection 42-7(C) creating an exemption from the 35 foot maximum height requirement for roof access structures in all Beach Commercial zoning districts and to review and an application to amend the Kitty Hawk Town Code by adding Subsection 42-250(c)(34) allowing "vehicle rentals" as a conditionally permitted use in the Beach Commercial (BC-1) zoning district, subject to certain conditions.

Town Council also approved an amendment to the Town Code/Section 24-53/Windgrass Circle Park and Multi-Use Path which will make the ordinance comply with a 2006 consent judgment by addition skateboards and launching of motorized boats and personal watercraft are prohibited in the park.

Council accepted a bid from Atlantic Coast Fire Trucks/Smeal Fire Apparatus, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$534,990 for the purchase of a new fire pumper.

Council was informed that a request for bids for the Poseidon and Goosander Street Emergency Pumping facility project was recently advertised and a pre-bid conference is planned for March 14<sup>th</sup>. The bid opening will be March 26<sup>th</sup> and the bids will be presented at the April 7<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. A pre-construction meeting will be held on April 11<sup>th</sup> with the winning bidder. Once started the project should take about 30 days to complete.

Council also decided to apply for a Tourist Bureau Grant to assist with the cost of the Lillian Street Access parking Lot expansion. The Tourist bureau grant would supplement a CAMA grant that the Town has already applied for. Construction on this project could start as early as February 2015.

Council recessed their meeting until March 17<sup>th</sup> for a budget workshop.

# The Town of Kitty Hawk Introduces Commingled Recycling at the Recycle Center

Put all of these materials into the recycling containers.







*Commingled Recycling Container*  *Glass Recycling Container*

Everything that is allowed goes into the commingled recycling container except for glass.



Please don't put these types of items in the **commingled recycling container.**



 Styrofoam  Plastic bags  Trash  Plastics that are not bottles or jugs or tubs  Clothes  Shredded paper  Hazardous materials  Automotive lubricant bottles  Clothes hangers  Wood or yard waste  Cookware  Bakeware  Light Bulbs  Mirrors  Window glass  Drinking glasses  Appliances  Electronics  Batteries  Wire of any kind.



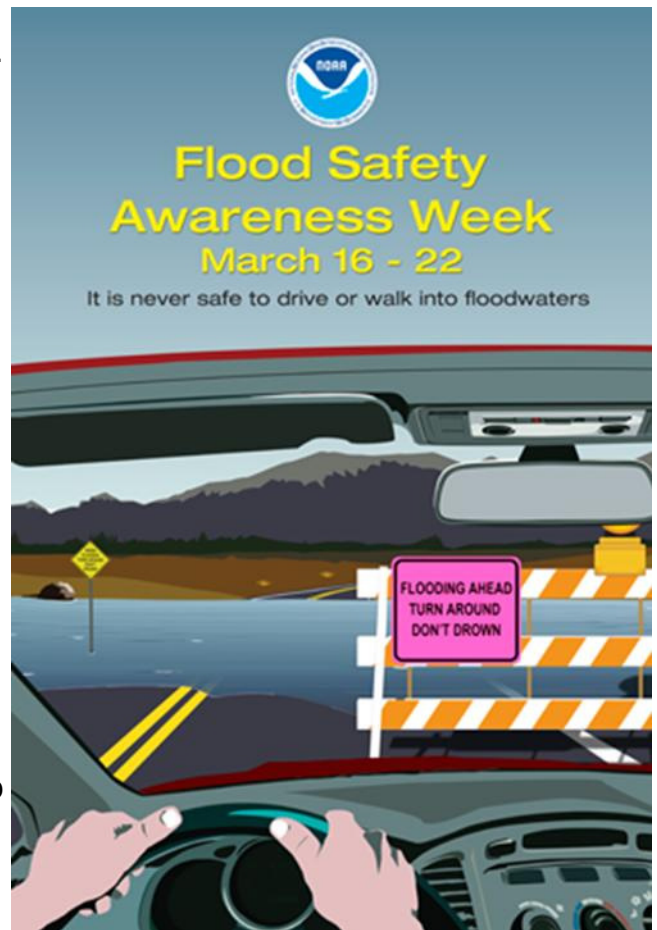
This program is made possible through a grant to Dare County from NC Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service.



## Council Declares March 16—22 Flood Safety Awareness Week

On average, flooding causes more property damage in the United States than any other weather related event. It is a threat to life and property that can occur in any of the fifty states or U.S. territories at any time of year. In 2013, the nation watched as deadly floods from severe storms impacted the Great Plains during May and record rainfall caused devastating flooding in Colorado in September. Last year, 85 people lost their lives to freshwater flooding. More than half of those fatalities were a result of people driving into floodwaters. On average, there are 89 fatalities and \$8.3 billion in damages annually.

During National Flood Safety Awareness Week, March 16-22, 2014, NOAA and FEMA will highlight the importance of preparing for a flood before it strikes and teach the actions you should take when faced with a flooding situation. This week we ask that you *Be a Force of Nature* by knowing your risk, taking action and being an example where you live. Following these simple steps year round can help keep you and your loved ones safe when hazardous weather strikes. Keep tabs on the local forecast, create a disaster supplies kit, and alert others via texts and social media when a flood threat or other hazardous weather threat exists!



### Flood Safety and Preparedness Advice

Do you know how to protect yourself, family, pets and property from floodwaters? Get practical advice from the National Weather Service on surviving a flood.

Being prepared for a flood can not only help keep your family safe, it can also help minimize potential flood damage and quicken recovery efforts. FloodSmart, a campaign from FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program, educates communities nationwide about the risk of flooding and the importance of flood insurance. Visit [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov) to learn more about flood insurance and financially protecting your home and possessions before a flood happens.

Article from [www.floodsafety.noaa.gov](http://www.floodsafety.noaa.gov)

## Town Calendar

### Town Council Meeting

Monday, April 7, 2014 at 6:00 pm

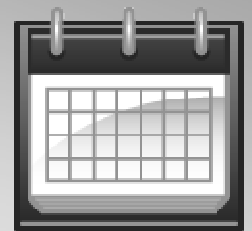
### Town Council Meeting Broadcast, Charter Cable 191

Thursday, April 10, 2014 and Sunday, April 13, 2014 —1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

### Planning Board Meeting

Thursday, April 17, 2014—CANCELLED

### Town Offices Closed—Easter Monday





## Consider a Residential Fire Sprinkler System

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department's mission is to save lives and the property of our residents and visitors while responding to emergency situations. Fire prevention and education are equally important, and we strongly advocate the use of smoke detectors and their maintenance. In addition, we would also like to increase awareness of other effective residential tools and their availability, especially the installation of a home fire sprinkler system in new residential construction. Existing homes can also be retrofitted.

The National Fire Protection Agency's Fire Sprinkler Initiative encourages the adoption of requirements for automatic fire sprinklers in new one-and two-family homes.



The following information is provided by the National Fire Protection Association:

- "Over 80% of fire deaths occur in the home. Home fire sprinklers can save lives and property from fire. They respond quickly and effectively to fire, often extinguishing the fire before the fire department arrives. Only the sprinkler closest to the fire will activate, spraying water on the fire.
- The cost of a home fire sprinkler system in a new home averages **\$1.35 per sprinklered square foot**, an amount often less than what is spent for carpet updates or a whirlpool bath.
- A home fire sprinkler system can reduce the homeowner's insurance premium.
- Fire departments typically use 10 times as much water as fire sprinklers would use to contain a fire.
- Fire sprinklers are environmentally friendly. They can reduce the amount of water run-off and pollution, fire damage by up to 71%, and water usage to fight a home fire by as much as 91%.
- Burnt toast or cigarette or cigar smoke will not activate a fire sprinkler. Only the high temperature of a fire will activate the sprinkler.
- A home fire sprinkler system is easy to maintain by inspecting your home to ensure that the sprinklers are not blocked by something that would prevent the water from coming out.
- Home fire sprinklers are effective in cold and warm climates. A system should be winterized the same as you winterize a domestic water supply.
- Contrary to what many Americans think, we are not at greatest risk from fire in hotels or other public places; it is at home, where most of us feel the safest, that we are actually at highest risk of fire."

For more information on residential fire sprinkler systems, visit the National Fire Protection Association's website. Another informational website is [HomeFiresprinkler.org](http://HomeFiresprinkler.org).



## Golf Tournament at Sea Scape Golf Links, 6/21/14

Mark  
Your  
Calendar

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department Association will host its Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 21, 2014, at Sea Scape Golf Links. This is a captain's choice tournament with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. The entry fee is \$320 for each team or \$80.00 for an individual. The price includes golf cart, green fees, and dinner and awards at the completion of the tournament. Prizes will be half in cash and half in Sea Scape gift certificates.

Reverse Raffle tickets are also available for \$100 each. Purchase of a Reverse Raffle ticket will also entitle the ticket owner to two dinner tickets. Dinner tickets may also be purchased separately.

You can visit our website, [www.kittyhawkfd.com](http://www.kittyhawkfd.com), for registration forms. If you have questions or need more information, please call the KHFD at (252) 261-2666. We hope to see you there!

## Kitty Hawk Fire Department Emergency Calls – March 2014

During the month of March, 2014, there were 40 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Alarm system activation, no fire, unintentional	1
Assist invalid	1
Authorized controlled burning	1
Automatic/mutual aid	1
Dispatched and cancelled en route	4
Grass fire	1
Hazardous condition	1
Medical calls	20
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	5
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	2
No incident found on arrival	1
Power line down	1
Special type of incident (standby for HELLO transport)	1



# KITTY HAWK POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTEGRITY • PROFESSIONALISM • PRIDE

*Welcome!*

The Police Department welcomes two new officers.

**Garrett W. Driver** from Wilson, NC. He has over five years of Law Enforcement experience and is a US Army Veteran.

**Justin C. Langley** from Kitty Hawk, NC He has over seven years of Law Enforcement experience.

## No Need to Speed Campaign, April 14th—20th

Studies continue to show that speed is a major cause of injury and fatality on North Carolina roadways. Kitty Hawk Police Department will be participating in the No Need to Speed Campaign April 14th—20th. The department encourages you to pay attention to your speed when traveling highways.



*Destination Dare*



***Have You Seen the Town's  
Destination Dare Episodes?***

In partnership with the Government Channel, the Town produces monthly video's on Town related activities, services and business.

Check out our most recent video featuring the Prescription Drug Drop Box service provided by our Police Department. This video is currently airing on the Government Channel, Charter cable Channel 191 and can also be seen on the Town's You Tube channel. Check it out!

**New Prescription  
Drug Drop Box  
Video**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aj8d3qFhtes>





## Citizen Science Program Needs Your Help Observing the Weather

Do you ever wonder how much rainfall you received from a recent thunderstorm? How about snowfall during a winter storm? If so, a new volunteer weather observing program needs your help! The Community Collaborative Rain, Hail, and Snow network, or CoCoRaHS, is looking for new volunteers across North Carolina. The grassroots effort is part of a growing national network of home-based and amateur rain spotters with a goal of providing a high density precipitation network that will supplement existing observations.

CoCoRaHS came about as a result of a devastating flash flood that hit Fort Collins, Colorado, in July 1997. A local severe thunderstorm dumped over a foot of rain in several hours while other portions of the city had only modest rainfall. The ensuing flood caught many by surprise and caused \$200 million in damages. CoCoRaHS was born in 1998 with the intent of doing a better job of mapping and reporting intense storms. As more volunteers participated, rain, hail, and snow maps were produced for every storm showing fascinating local patterns that were of great interest to scientists and the public. Recently, drought reporting has also become an important observation within the CoCoRaHS program across the nation. In fact, drought observations from CoCoRaHS are now being included in the National Integrated Drought Information System.

North Carolina became the twenty-first state to establish the CoCoRaHS program in 2007, and by 2010, the CoCoRaHS network had reached all 50 states with nearly ten thousand observations being reported each day. Through CoCoRaHS, thousands of volunteers, young and old, document the size, intensity, duration and patterns of rain, hail, and snow by taking simple measurements in their own backyards. Volunteers may obtain an official rain gauge through the CoCoRaHS website ( <http://www.cocorahs.org> ) for about \$28 plus shipping. Besides the need for an official 4 inch plastic rain gauge, volunteers are required to take a simple training module online and use the CoCoRaHS website to submit their reports. Observations are immediately available on maps and reports for the public to view. The process takes only five minutes a day, but the impact to the community is tenfold: By providing high quality, accurate measurements, the observers are able to supplement existing networks and provide useful results to scientists, resource managers, decision makers and other users.

"North Carolina has one of the most complex climates in the U.S.," said Dr. Ryan Boyles, state climatologist and director of the State Climate Office, based at North Carolina State University. "Data gathered from CoCoRaHS volunteers are very important in better understanding local weather and climate patterns."

"An additional benefit of the program to the National Weather Service is the ability to receive timely reports of significant weather (hail, intense rainfall, localized flooding) from CoCoRaHS observers that can assist forecasters in issuing and verifying warnings for severe thunderstorms," says David Glenn, CoCoRaHS State Coordinator and meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Newport/Morehead City.

How does one become a CoCoRaHS observer? Go to the CoCoRaHS website above and click on the "Join CoCoRaHS" emblem on the upper right side of the main website. After registering, take the simple online training, order your 4 inch rain gauge and start reporting!

"We are in need of new observers across the entire state. We would like to emphasize rural locations, areas of higher terrain, and areas near the coast, especially on barrier islands," added Glenn.

North Carolina CoCoRaHS can also be reached on [Facebook](#) and through Twitter @NC\_CoCoRaHS .

***Kitty Hawk Fire Department is  
Recruiting Volunteers  
Incentives Available  
Call 252-261-2666 for more  
information.***



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